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MEMORANDUM FOR The Adjutants General of all States, Puerto Rico, the US Virgin Islands, Guam, and the Commanding General of the District of Columbia

SUBJECT: Clarification of the Sanctuary Guidance for Full-Time National Guard Duty Operational Support (FTNGD-OS) Performed Pursuant to Title 32 United States Code, Section 502(f), other than Active Guard and Reserve (AGR) Duty/Counter-Drug (CD)(PPOM-13-020)

1. References:

a. Title 32 USC, Chapter 5, Section 502(f), Required Drills and Field Exercises, 1 February 2010.

b. Title 32 USC, Chapter 3, Section 328, Active Guard and Reserve Duty: Governor's Authority, 1 February 2010.

c. National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) for Fiscal Year 14, Section 412, End Strengths for Reserves on Active Duty in Support of The Reserves.

d. Memorandum, ARNG-HRH, 16 May 2013, subject: Guidance for Full-Time National Guard Duty for Operational Support (FTNGD-OS) Performed Pursuant to Title 32 United States Code, Section 502(f), other than Active Guard and Reserve (AGR) Duty/Counter-Drug (CD)(ARNG-HRH Policy Memo)(PPOM #13-020).

2. In accordance with reference d above, a member of a reserve component who is on active duty (other than for training) and is within two years of becoming eligible for retirement pay, may not be involuntarily released from duty before becoming eligible for retirement pay, unless the release is approved by the Secretary of the Army.

3. ARNG Soldiers performing duty under Full-Time National Guard Duty for Operational Support (FTNGD-OS) other than AGR duty and other than for training, who have accumulated 18 years of active service, will be continued in that status until they accumulate 20 years of active service, unless:

- a. The Soldier voluntarily requests to be released from such duty, or
- b. The Soldier is involuntarily released with the approval of the Secretary of the Army.

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4. States/Territories are responsible for identifying funds to continue those Soldiers that reach 18 years of active service on orders until they reach 20 years of active service. These Soldiers will not be placed on Annual Training or Active Duty for Training orders to cover the entire period of service required to reach 20 years of active service. These Soldiers will not be accessed into the AGR program unless they have competed for a valid AGR position IAW AR 135-18 and NGR 600-5.

5. Once the Soldier reaches 20 years of active service, he/she may;

- a. Continue to serve on orders if leadership desires and funding is available.
- b. Be released from orders, defer their active service retirement and continue to serve in a traditional status.
- c. Apply for an active service retirement.

6. The point of contact is COL Sonja M. Lucas, Chief, Personnel Policy Division, at DSN 327-5904, 703-607-5904 or sonja.m.lucas@mail.mil.


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